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Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MEDICAL INTERVENTION PROCEDURE PLANNING AND LOCATION AND NAVIGATION OF AN INTERVENTION TOOL**

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